

House Resolution No. 1081

Whereas, on Saturday, March 29, 2003, at St. Raymond's Hall (The Cedars), the St. Louis Chapter of UNICO National will bestow the title of Honorary Italian on Lorenza Pasetti, an area native who has established strong ties to Italian language, food, and culture through her parents, Armando and Evelina Pasetti, who immigrated to the United States from the Mantova and Cremona regions of Italy; and

Whereas, Lorenza Pasetti earned undergraduate degrees in psychology and history from the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor and completed a Master of Business Administration at Washington University in St. Louis; and

Whereas, Lorenza Pasetti joined her father in the family business, the former John Volpi Sausage Company, soon after her formal educational pursuits came to a successful close, and succeeded him as President of John Volpi and Company in 2002 to carry on the esteemed traditions of the respected enterprise which celebrated its Centennial Anniversary last year; and

Whereas, the beloved wife of Don Depke, Lorenza Pasetti has three wonderful children, Derek, Daniella, and Deanna; and

Whereas, UNICO National derives its name from the Italian for "only one of its kind" with each of its letters standing for the intrinsically valuable characteristics of Unity, Neighborliness, Integrity, Charity, and Opportunity; and

Whereas, founded in Waterbury, Connecticut, in 1922 and composed of those of Italian descent or their spouses, UNICO National provides scholarships to worthy students, promotes Italian Study Chairs, observes Columbus Day, and participates in charitable activities in keeping with its motto of "Service Above Self";

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the exemplary career, outstanding community spirit, and impressive life of Lorenza Pasetti and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes upon her selection as an Honorary Italian by the St. Louis Chapter of UNICO National; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution to recognize Honorary Italian Lorenza Pasetti of John Volpi and Company in St. Louis.

Offered by _____
Representative Fred Kratky
District No. 65

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1081, adopted March 27, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker